

Sibley, Iowa
October 10, 2023

The Osceola County Board of Supervisors met pursuant to law and adjournment at 8:45 am at the Osceola County Courthouse boardroom with the following members present: Jerry Helmers, LeRoy DeBoer, Jayson Vande Hoef, Ed Jones and Mike Schulte. Absent: None.

Helmets moves to approve the October 10, 2023 agenda. Second by DeBoer. Ayes- Helmers, DeBoer, Vande Hoef, Schulte. Nay- None. Absent- Jones. Motion carried.

It was moved by Vande Hoef, second by DeBoer to approve the September 26, 2023 minutes. Ayes- Vande Hoef, DeBoer, Helmers, Schulte. Nay- None. Absent – Jones. Motion carried.

Helmets moves to approve the appointment for Sande Smith as casual part time dispatcher/jailer for \$25.08 per hour and Perla Hernandez as part time dispatcher/jailer for a salary of \$21,970 per year. Second by Vande Hoef. Ayes- Helmers, Vande Hoef, DeBoer, Schulte. Nay-None. Absent- Jones. Motion carried.

It was moved by Vande Hoef, second by DeBoer to approve pay raise for Austin Butler as deputy/jailer for \$65,023 per year and Shane Nellis as deputy/jailer for a salary of \$63,310 per year. Ayes- Vande Hoef, DeBoer, Helmers, Schulte. Nay -None. Absent- Jones. Motion carried.

Helmets moves to approve Osceola County Election Security Policy. Second by DeBoer. Ayes- Helmers, DeBoer, Vande Hoef, Schulte. Nay- None. Absent- Jones. Motion carried.

Vande Hoef explained due to legislation changes Care Connection of Northern Iowa region had to make some changes to their 28E agreement. It was moved by Vande Hoef, second by Helmers to approve the 28E agreement with Care Connection of Northern Iowa. Second by Helmers. Ayes- Vande Hoef, Helmers, DeBoer, Schulte. Nay- None. Absent- Jones.

Jones was in attendance.

The Board met with department heads.

Maureen Hansen and Amanda Ahrenstorff from 3rd Judicial District Department of Correctional Services gave updates to the Board on changes to their department. Hansen also shared information regarding important resources and trends in our community.

It was moved by Helmers, second by DeBoer to enter into joint drainage district #3 meeting via conference call with Dickinson County Board of Supervisors. All vote aye. Motion carried.

Helmets moves to enter into regular session. Second by DeBoer. All vote aye. Motion carried.

Spencer Pech, ISG informed the Board that drainage district right-of-way records have been completed and are on file with the county. Per Iowa Code 468.49 the county can remove the drainage right-of-way acres from drainage assessment schedules without going through a reclassification hearing. Pech offered to work with the auditor's office if had any questions. It was moved by Vande Hoef, second by Jones

authorizing the auditor's office to remove those right-of-way acres from drainage assessments with assistance from ISG. Second by Jones. All vote aye. Motion carried.

Spencer Pech, ISG visited with the Board about the possibility of a wetland site in drainage district #64 on property that is owned by the county. Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship would support this project if the Board decided to move forward. The Board would like more information before a decision is made. Pech will do more research and report back to the Board.

It was moved by Helmers, second by Jones to approve Resolution# 9 23/24 operating transfer from CFE Project fund to CFE TIF P & I fund. Ayes- DeBoer, Vande Hoef, Jones, Schulte. Nay – None. Motion carried. This is a summary of the resolution. The complete text of the resolution can be obtained at the Auditor's Office or online www.osceolacountyia.gov under Supervisors, then Resolutions/Public Notices/Ordinances.

Two bids were received for sealing the courthouse floors from DeRuyter Cleaning and Floor Care for \$2,655.20 and Deep Clean Carpet Cleaning for \$3,000. Helmers moves to award bid to DeRuyter Cleaning and Floor Care. Second by Jones. All vote aye. Motion carried.

The stain glass window at the courthouse has some cracks in the window will try to get quotes on how much it will cost to fix the window.

Vande Hoef explained that every year we are down to the wire to get every employee to participate in the wellness program in order for the county to receive a 5 % discount on health insurance premiums. One option discussed with department heads is that the non-participating employee would have to pay more towards their health insurance premiums. Vande Hoef will work with our HR consultant on different options and report back to the Board.

Jones explained that the complaint filed against the Board with Iowa Public Information Board was dismissed.

Quarterly reports from the auditor and recorder were reviewed.

Payroll registers from October 2nd, 4th, and 6th were reviewed.

It was moved by Helmers, second by Jones to approve claim# 558 to Bosma Water Service. Ayes- Helmers, Jones, DeBoer, Schulte. Nay- None. Abstain- Vande Hoef. Motion carried. Helmers moves to approve the remainder of the claims. Second by Jones. All vote aye. Motion carried.